Effecting Changes in the Demographic Complexion of J & K

1206. DR. SANJAYA SINH : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to effect any change in the demographic complexion of Jammu & Kashmir; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) In view of above, question does not arise.

Blackmarketing of Kerosene in Gujarat

@ 1207. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether reduction in the supply of kerosene oil to Gujarat has in turn affected its supply to the rural areas of the State;

(b) what is the quantum of kerosene oil supplied to Gujarat during the last three years;

(c) whether Central Government has sought information regarding the incidents of blackmarketing of kerosene oil and that of the action taken in this regard against retail dealers, wholesale dealers and distributors of oil companies, and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what directions have been issued to State Government to prevent its blackmarketing ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA) : (a) Allocation of kerosene oil to Gujarat has not been reduced.

(b) The quantity of kerosene supplied to Gujarat State during the last three years is as under :

(Figs. in MT)

Year	Releases/Supplied
1990-91	777263
1991-92	783078
1992-93	783226

(c) and (d) Retail distribution of kerosene is controlled by State Governments. State Governments have been advised to take steps to prevent diversion and black-marketing of kerosene and to strengthen distribution system to ensure that kerosene reaches the consumers.

Commitment for allocating Tapti Gas for Power Plant at Pipavav, Saurashtra

@@ 1208. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Government have made any commitment for allocating Tapti gas for power plant at Pipavav in Saurashtra, if so, when was this commitment made and when it is likely to be fulfilled;

(b) what is the estimated annual availability of gas from the South, Mid and North-Tapti gas fields, whether any investment decision has been taken to develop any of these fields; if not, when such a decision is likely to be taken;

(c) whether there is any move to take Tapti gas to Hazira to meet commitments of supply from HBU pipeline; if so, the manner in which the commitment to supply gas for a power plant at Pipavav in Saurashtra be met; and

(d) the names of foreign funding agencies in the zero-gas flaring project of Bombay High ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA) : (a) and (b) The estimated plateau production from South and Mid Tapti fields is 4.03 MM3/day for 12 years. The North Tapti field waits delineation and assessment. Mid Tapti and South Tapti fields have been offered for development and exploitation by JVC for which negotiations are in progress.

(c) It has been decided that the gas from Mid and South Tapti fields has to be brought to Hazira to meet the existing commitments ex-Hazira and along the HBJ Pipeline. Government of Gujarat have been informed to base the Pipavav Power Plant on imported fuel, until domestic natural gas becomes available.

(d) World Bank, Asian Development Bank and Japan Exim Bank.

@ Previously Unstarored Question 2, transferred from the 26th July, 1993.

@@ Previously Unstarred question 207, transferred from the 27th July, 1993.